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1. DCM CALLED ON MFA DIRGEN MUTAUAL SECURITY AFFAIRS
YAVUZALP APRIL 4 TO MAKE PRESENTATION ALONG LINES REFTTEL (A).

2. AFTER TAKING CAREFUL NOTES OF WHAT DCM HAD TO SAY,
YAVUZALP COMMENTED THAT HE AGREED THAT FIRST MEETING OF
NATO DPC ON POSSIBLE ALLIED AID TO TURKEY HAD BEEN
INCONCLUSIVE. AFTER RECEIVING REPORT OF THAT MEETING, FONOFF
HAD SENT NEW INSTRUCTIONS TO TURK NATO DELEGATION.

3. THESE INSTRUCTIONS HAD DRAWN A CLEAR DISTINCTION BETWEEN
THE TWO CATEGORIES OF TURKISH NEEDS:

A. URGENT NEEDS FOR SUCH THINGS AS SPARE PARTS WHICH
ALLIES SHOULD TRY TO FILL AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THERE WAS
NO NEED FOR A LENGTHY AND TIME-CONSUMING EVALUATION OF SUCH
NEEDS, SAID YAVUZALP.

B. LONG-TERM NEEDS. HERE, COMMENTED YAVUZALP,
THERE PROBABLY WAS A REQUIREMENT FOR DETAILED STUDY AS TO
HOW THE ALLIES COULD SUPPORT TURKISH ARMED FORCES OVER
THE LONG PULL SO THAT THESE FORCES COULD CARRY OUT THERE

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4. THE TURKISH INSTRUCTIONS HAD EMPHASIZED, YAVUZALP ADDED, THAT THESE TWO CATEGORIES SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED WITH EACH OTHER. THE ALLIES SHOULD TRY TO HELP TURKEY MEET ITS URGENT NEEDS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT AWAITING FURTHER STUDIES.

5. YAVUZALP SAID PRESENTATION DCM HAD JUST MADE INDICATED US AND TURKEY WERE ON SAME WAVELENGTH ON THIS MATTER. HE ASKED THAT US NATO DELEGATION COOPERATE WITH TURK DEL TO PERSUADE OTHER ALLIES TO MOVE QUICKLY TO FILL TURKEY'S URGENT NEEDS.
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